September 23, 2002

Mr. Joesph Fahrendorf enXco, Inc. P.O. Box 1043 63-665 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue Palm Springs, CA 92258

RE: Conditional Acceptance of Application of enXco, Inc., for a Site Permit for the Proposed 87 Megawatt Stoneray Large Wind Energy Conversion System in Pipestone and Murray Counties, Minnesota (EQB Docket # 02-45-LWECS-enXco

Dear Mr. Fahrendorf:

On August 23, 2002, enXco, Inc., filed a site permit application on behalf of Power Partners Midwest, LLC for a site permit for the Stoneray Wind Power Plant, a proposed 87 megawatt large wind energy conversion system located in Pipestone and Murray Counties, Minnesota, pursuant to Minnesota Rules, chapter 4401.

EQB staff has reviewed your application for completeness and has determined that the application contains the information that is required under the rules. However, the question of whether a certificate of need is required from the Public Utilities Commission is one that must be addressed by the PUC.

Based upon the EQB staff recommendation and as provided for in Minn. Rules, part 4401.0460, enXco's application for the Stoneray Project is conditionally accepted by the EQB Vice-Chair, pending the outcome of PUC review on the need issue.

We look forward to working with enXco, Inc., to address any issues identified in the EQB's review of the site permit application for the proposed Stoneray LWECS.

Please direct any questions you may have to Larry Hartman at 651-296-5089, the EQB's project manager for this docket. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dean Barkley, Vice-Chair Environmental Quality Board

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Technical Representatives

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